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Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit

Letter dated 6 October 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of Algeria, Finland, Namibia, Poland, Singapore and Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Missions of Algeria, Finland, Namibia, Poland, Singapore and Venezuela to the United Nations have the honour to request, pursuant to rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the inclusion in the agenda of the fifty-fifth session of an additional item of an important and urgent character entitled "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit".

Pursuant to rule 20 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, this request is accompanied by an explanatory memorandum (see annex).

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Annex

Explanatory memorandum

The Millennium Summit, the largest ever United Nations gathering, was held only a few weeks ago. The Summit adopted a forward-looking and ambitious Millennium Declaration. This Declaration, together with the Secretary-General's report for the Summit, sets a demanding agenda for the United Nations for the new millennium. There are many issues of concern. There is no shortage of challenges to the United Nations. What is important now is the implementation and the follow-up of the Declaration, which was called for in most of the statements delivered during the general debate at this session of the General Assembly.

To maintain the momentum created by the Millennium Summit we propose, taking into account the scope of the Millennium Declaration, that a new separate item entitled "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit" be included in the agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly.